BECKER IS CONVICTED OF MURDER

Second Trial of Former Police Lieutenant for Rosenthal Killing Ends in First Degree Verdict.

AGAIN FACES DEATH IN ELECTRIC CHAIR

Jury Finds Him Instigator of Crime for Which the Four Gunmen Have Already Paid with Their Lives—His Face Turns Ashen as He Hears class will be given in the morning by the speaker. discussed River Conditions in Rev. Franklin Elmer Ellsworth Hamilton, Vermort. He touched upon the alleged Fatal Words-Eyes of Foreman Fill with Tears When He Reports Decision.

New York, May 22.-Twelve men decided to-day for the second time that Charles Becker was the arch conspirator responsible for the Rosenthal murder, which nearly two years ago awoke New York to a realization of corruption in the police department and opened a new era of police reform.

Becker, once a police lieutenant, was found guilty of murder in the first degree. Only a pardon or interference again by the court of appeals can save him from following to the electric chair the four gunmen who shot Herman Rosenthal, the gambler, early on the morning of July 16, 1912. The jury to-day decided that the gunmen were Becker's agents.

One ballot decided Becker's fate. It was taken almost immediately after the jurors returned from luncheon at an uptown hotel, where they went as soon as Supreme Court Justice Samuel Seabury finished his charge. It was unanimous for conviction.

Asked whether he had ever been con

cicted before, Becker looked helplessly a

ils counsel. Martin T. Manton, who was

standing beside him. Manton mumbled

"What's the answer?" again acked the

Becker remained silent. Manton, how-

Justice Seabury thanked each man of

ASKS FOR ONE WEEK.

Manton, told by the court he would be

granted a reasonable time in which to

make any motions he deemed advisable

WIFE DID NOT KNOW.

cotunda of the court house. But Mrs.

what had happened. His shoulders were

Becker stood looking down at her, as

Handcuffs were then locked about his

wrists; he was taken from the room and

round the marble corridors to the other

side of the building across the "bridge of

sighs" and into the Tombs. On his way

"I am very, very sorry for myself."

e declared grimly. "I have nothing

Immediately after the court was ad

WILL PREPARE APPEAL

"I fall to see how the jury managed

to convict Becker in view of the con-

flicting evidence that was presented by

the witnesses for the State and the testi-

ony that our witnesses gave. However,

District Attorney Whitman express-

Mrs. Becker remained in the shorter

to find the defendant guilty they must

and Webber were supported by wit-

This centered emphasis on the testi-

nony of Charles B. Plitt, Jr., who was

strong arm squad." Plitt was a wit-

ness for the defense at the first trial,

but at the second he took the stand at

the call of the district attorney. Bec

ker's attorneys tried to prove that Plitt

also was an accomplice, but the cour

decide that the stories of Rose, Vallo

nesses not involved in the crime.

it has been done. I will immediately

cleared of this charge."

ped into a chair.

asked for one week and received it

comething. The pair shook hands.

ver, answered for him, "No."

he jury for his services.

announced.

Tears streamed down the foreman's face as he announced the decision and tears stood in the eyes of several other jurymen; but sympathy did not warp their judgment. They had a good cor-roboration which the district attorney failed to present at the first trial to port the stories of Rose, Vallon and Webber, the three accomplices who turned inthe new witnesses at the second trial.

Becker's counsel announced that he would appeal, and gained a week's stay for the preparation of his future campaign. The defendant was granted short meeting with his wife and his brothers and then taken back to his cell in the Tombs

WIFE KEPT OUT OF COURT. Becker and his wife were talking shortbefore five o'clock in a room adjoining the sheriff's office when a court attendant recess was from the judge's chambers announced four minutes. that the jury had reached a verdict. Mrs Becker was not permitted to accompany her husband to the court room. Newspaper men with court attendants, counsel for the defense and District Attorney other persons allowed admission. The defendant's two brothers, Jackson and John Becker, the latter a detective lieutenant, hurried to a side entrance, where they

When the little group in the court room had found seats, a door at the back was opened to admit the jury. The 12 men who alone knew Becker's fate filed silently in with Foreman F. Meriden Bladgen at their head. All 12 faces

Justice Seabury mounted the bench. He glanced quickly at the faces of the Old court attendants who declared long practice had made them able usually to tell the verdict by the jurous' looks, ad-

Becker in the room overhead was still talking to his wife when Justice Scabury "Charles Becker to the bar!" and a balliff was sent for the defendant. Becker kissed his wife and left her.

worry. They'll free me." Becker entered by the same door which the Jury had passed through but a minrail, facing Justice Scabury, and gripped It with both hands. His face was color-

GUILTY IN FIRST DEGREE.

gaze resting upon the face of each man for a fraction of a second. But he did not catch the eye of a single man. To even know the defendant was in the journed Mr. Manton said: room. Clerk Penny asked the jury to

a verdict ?" Bladgen, a youngish man, blond and dim brushed his eyes with a handkersoftly. "We find the defendant -- " he hesitated a moment and continued in a will fight and fight hard to have Becker whisper: "We find this defendant guilty as charged in the indictment; guilty of

murder in the first degree." Becker's face was gray as he gripverdict. "It speaks for itself," he said. sed the bar in front of him with all "Becker is guilty. It was proved. H his strength. The hig muscles of his must pay the penalty of his crime." neck jumped out in heavy rolls. The great frame swayed and drooped; then had been returned to the Tombs. She with quick control he became himself was too overcome with grief to leave

immediately. When she went at last she had to be assisted from the buildwith his hand and then the clerk began to ask the questions required by The roll was called and each judge's charge and the deliberation of individual juror was asked if "guilty" the jury. In his review of the evidence was his verdict, too. Justice Seabury directed the jury that

Becker stood motionless while these questions were being put to the jurrs. Immediately upon their conclusion the clerk began to take Becker's 'pedigree." To the first questions he answered in a steady voice that he was 3 years old, was born in the United Becker's press agent, when the former States, and that his parents had been police lieutenant was master of the old

HAD "TEMPERATE HABITS."

Becker didn't answer immediately. Almost in a whisper he replied "Yes." As to his occupation Becker said he was "former police officer in the city of New left this question to the jury and their York," a Catholic and of temperate hab- verdict showed that they decided h

This point, it was said to-night, might form the basis upon which Becker's attorneys promised to take the case once more to the higher court. It was a similar question, involving the status of Sam Schepps, a witness at the first trial, but not at this, which enabled Becker to gain a new trial from the court of appeals after his first conviction.

EXCEPTION TAKEN. Becker's counse, Martin T. Manton, enered formal objection to Justice Sea-

ury's remarks to the jury. "I take exception," he said, "to the entire charge on the ground that it is an animated argument."

The verdict caught Becker unprepared, for when the jury first retired his lawyer told him he looked for an acquittal. The defendant at that time declared he did not believe it possible he could be convicted on the evidence presented at the second trial.

Mrs. Becker was even more hopeful. "I cannot conceive." she said "that any twelve sensible men can give credence to such cooked-up stories as those told by Rose, Webber, Vallon and Plitt. I don't expect a conviction. The worst that can scent and he will be exposerated."

TROY CONFERENCE COMMENCEMENT

reises of the Troy Conference Academy will be held from June 13 to 17. On Sunday, fune 14, the sermen before the graduating Superintendent Barss, who was the first D. D. Lf. D., chancellor of the American decline of the church, the introduction of University at Washington, L. C. In the allens as sitizons, the necessity for strong evening the anniversaries of the Y. M. C.A. leaders in rural communities, the urgent and Y. W. C. A. will be observed with need of co-operation of formers, and the an address by the Rev. Charles Marcellus effect of environment in animing a living. Sturgess. D. D., district superintendent of the Albany district of Troy conference, On received Monday will be held the usual clase day Barss, in this connection, discursed heredexercises and in the evening will take ity and made a plea for fewer criminal place the universary of the Alumni association. The speakers will be the Rev. Balph S. Cushman, D. D., pastor of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church at Fall River, Mass. Dr. Cushman is a native of Poultney and a graduate of the Academy, Leonard, D. D., principal, presiding,

DETECTIVE WOOD PROBES AUDITOR'S OFFICE VOUCHERS

Amusement Derived from Difficulties Standing in Way of Preparing State-

"Charles Becker, you are remanded to the Tombs prison until May 29," the court Montpeller, May 21 .- J. H. Wood of the Wood-Morgan detective agency of Bos-The whole proceeding, from the time ton, is making an examination of the Becker was pronounced gullty until a vouchers in the State auditor's office inserecess was declared, occupied scarcely far as they relate to the detective part of full of perplexing problems, the result of member of the State board and formerly gate, Montgomery Center, Irasburg, Montgomery Center, In the meantime, Jackson and John Becker, standing at the door to the court report at the State House to-day. It is to meet these problems room, had heard the verdict. Jackson also said that Mr. Wood is making the sank into a court attendant's chair and Namination in view of the forthcoming | President Becker's brother, John Lynch, and John General R. E. Brown on the same subject. Vermont." Saying in part:

Every scrap of paper relating to detective. "There is no State in the 48 of the Becker, both of them showing their grief. Every scrap of paper relating to detective hurrled to the room where Becker's wife

Everybody in the building and even the money went is the cause of consider- patriotic devotion and deeper affection led by Dr. Frederick Fletcher of Bradfor1 the school that they must live in the the crowd in the street outside knew able amusement, as some of the State's for the commonwealth than in the and Dr O. V. Greene of Bethel, then took dormitory. that Becker had been found guilty. A attorneys say the attorney-general or- State of Vermont. I will not allow place calliff had shouted the news across the not know it until John Becker entered He didn't have to. His face showed

hat did no good. She collapsed com- plead guilty, and that attention of the with almost hely seal pletely, and was still sobbing when her detective was early called to the fact "Oh." she cried, "Charlie, I'm so sorry, ment.

o sorry. Poor Charlie. I didn't expect It is claimed that between \$2.000 and \$1,000 is also due various detectives in addition to bills already rendered. her husband from her embrace and drop-

FORMER BURLINGTON MAN DEAD IN BUFFALO

lington. Vt., who died Thursday at midnight at his home in Clyde, N. Y., was born in Sligo, Ireland, but when 50 years around the corridor friends who had old came to the United States, settling nown Becker for years expressed their in Burlington. Vt., where he lived for about 12 years, afterward removing to Clyde, where he had since resided. He paves three sons, Michael of Predonia, four daughters, Mrs. Margaret Myers of Auburn, N. Y., Mrs. May Van Duser of Tyde, and Misses Anna and Celia Mc-Gowan both of Clyde. The body was

Gen. MacDougall Dead.

Auburn, N. Y., May 24.—General Clinet to work to prepare an appeal. We seriously ill in Paris, died at noon to d himself highly gratified with the burn late in June, and that burial will

e in Arlington National cemetery. veins at his temples swelled. His office a long time after her husband and was praised for his services at the most generous benefactor of other ing bill, and making further concess that battle of Gettysburg. He was States, she will build the old waste shot under him. He was born in Scot- field, expand her villages and cities, has gone far enough

General MacDougall was president of States in all the union. the board of trustees of the New York

TRIES TO SLAY ENGINEER WHOSE TRAIN KILLED GIRL

ows across a railroad track near Eagle bridge, Rensselaer county, Mary Dalan ski, 12 years old, was struck by a Delaware & Hudson passenger train early this evening and instantly killed. The train was stopped and when the engin eer. James Hines, jumped from his cab to pick up the body, the girl's father crazed with grief, drew a long knife and attempted to kill him. The conductor nd several passengers interfered and efter a struggle disarmed Dalanski and

CONGREGATIONAL **CONVENTION AT** RUTLAND CLOSES

Number of Persons-President Thomas and Supt. Barss Speakers.

Rutland, May 21.-The 119th annual State convention of the Vermont Congregationalists was brought to a close at the Conhappen is a disagreement. Charles is in- gregational Church here at eleven o'clock his morning after three days of inspiring sessions. The features of the closing of Vergennes, superintendent of the Ver-mont Industrial school, and the Rev. Dr. sury College

The closing seculor was attended

The causes for degenerally lu Vermont check on the proposation of the human.

Wednesday morning, the Rev. Charles Is, else factors which should have been there and indifferent in religious things, let and were lacking." As an example of the union of two people who are weak mentally, physically and morally he said that he recently had call at the industrial school from proken down woman of S years. Marrie at the age of 14 because of the crime of man of 50 she is now mother of 11 childre ents are now trying to get from the insti-tution a boy of 13 years to send him to

are of four smaller children.

Discussing the work of the church in ural communities Mr. Barss said: "To attempt to replace the church as the dominant influence in the social life of the rural communities of the State i no small undertaking: It is a job for full desired and is accomplished, test the metal of the biggest of us. If we are to succeed in this matter we must move intelligently not call for a high grade of morality to registered were health officers. make him deal honestly with his neighmercy and will not scruple to take advan-

Superintendent Barss was followed by

American union, no bit of territory of and Prof. J. W. Votey of Burlington, sans The fact that the detective is going 9,500 square miles anywhere in the inover the detective records to see where habited earth, in which there is more dered no small part of the work done that Vermont is just like a great many

"Our State to-day is aflame with of the State board. asband was led into the room. She that additional evidence was not neces- zeal for the promotion of prosperity. This evening's session consisted of need is presented that some one does not care, that many do not spring HOME RULE BILL orward to meet it if they can

novement for the organization ommercial hodies, for union of effort n promoting industry. Some of the country are in Vermont organizations and individuals are pushing better farming and better marketing with notable zeed. Vermont is in the midst of an industrial and secure relations with sions. There will be a long, hard fight, of an industrial and commercial re- however, possibly civil war in Ireland, push is sweeping over the State like for the Ulstermen are determined that the a predict an increase of property values throughout our State, improve- and threaten to establish a provisiona ments in crops and in the return from government as soon as the bill leaves the all classes of farming operations. "Vermont is not degenerate. No

State can be called degenerate which ing on Ulster where arrangements day. Information to this effect was progress, as is the spirit in all Verreceived her to-night and it was addnext at this present time. I foresee
at that the funeral wil he held in Aunext and state when, rement's notice.

President George M. Bartlett, a New and would find that in the coar future
York architect, is making plans for the
total president George M. Bartlett, a New and would find that in the coar future
to a new day for the old state when, rement's notice. covering from the devastation of the General MacDougal was one of the checking the emigration to the cities have been avoided by the government oungest generals of the Civil War and to the West which has made her announcing the terms of the amend and become one of the most favored

> "If can improve our business, if s no question but that our churches will have a better chance, our schools will be better supported, men will hold up their

teneral level of manhood will be elevated. "But the relation is mutual and interwith 50-cent souls. Their assets will tend to their spiritual quality, by their own You can't maintain a town with a \$25,000 grand list when the men of that town de- This is said to be the best mark for the ommunity of mere money makers under sort tomong them men of personal worth and force, whose genius leads them, not in

teaching youth and preaching sermons and caring for the sick and unfortunate. they will not maintain their financial "Vermont must not forget that religious

faith is the strongest and only permanent

basis of honest character and patriotic

levotion. It is the church which is the bulwark of temperance and purity. It is the church which fosters thrift and indus-try. It is the church which creates and preserves in influence the strongest sanctions of all good morals and right conduct Remove the churches from any town, and in five years no man would care to live there. Loss of faith means loss of integ-Session Attended by Large rity, without which business prosperity is insecure. It is not our laws and our prisons which preserve respect for law; it is truth of God and the gospel of Jesus

natural advantages, situated on either side of a mountain. From one of them there has not gone a case to the county court in over 20 years, save one tha arose in a family which moved over from the other hamlet. But from that other village there has gone case case to the county court, of all kinds of foul and villainous crimes. And the cause of the difference? In the first hamlet there has been for years a little two window church-two windows on a ide-the center of its social and spiritual life, while in the other village there has been no religious life entitled to respect. No man can believe that these are not one to the other as cause and class will be given in the morning by the speaker, discussed "Rural Conditions in effect. Where is the fear of God, there is probity and cleanness and honor of parents and brotherly love and charity. allens as sitizons, the necessity for strong Where is no fear of God, there bestiality and brutality and all that is legrading and foel.

"There is no State of the 48 of the American union in which there is deeper devotion to the commonwealth than in this 'dear little State among the dark green bills. There is no State more alert to-day for all that makes for prosparity and progress than our own Vermont A greater Vermont is the creed anity, epilepsy and alcoholism," he said, of us all Then let us cleance our hearts are all traced to parental weakness and joining our thought let us awaken They are determined in offspring by fact our faith in the utmost earnestness we The graduating exercises will be held tors that should not have been there or have ever known; if we have grown cold a light the fires once more

HEALTH OFFICERS' SCHOOL OPENS AT BELLOWS FALLS

Bellows Falls, May 21.-Sixty-four names ischool to-night. The school began this The church has failed to keep pace with afternoon and will continue through tothe farmer in what it has to offer. It did morrow morning. The majority of those

The opening session began this afterbors, but when he deals with a great cor- noon with an address by Dr. Charles S. registered and the dormitory is almost poration, which he knows has him at his Caverly of Rutland, president of the State filled. Last fall the entering class numboard of health. He was followed by Dr. A. C Bailey, health officer of the town of of ethics. He needs personal salvation to- Bandolph, who spoke on 'The Relation many had registered as at the present day as much accever, but if his life social-ly, industrially and commercially is so Dr. Henry D. Holton of Brattleboro, a Essex Junction. Cambridge. East Rycthe administration of justice, which is at occupation having ceased to be local, he its secretary, and Dr. C. E. Buchanan, peller, Wilder, Calais, St. Albans, Milthe present time under fire. This was the is proving a failure if he has not training health officer of Reading, discussed this tem. Barre, Brattleboro, East Dover, paper. Dr. M. P. Stanley, health officer Roston, Mass., Proctorsville, Middletown of White River Junction, read a paper on Springs, Shoreham, Proctor, Poultney, "Be it resolved by the Modern Methods in School Building." Dr C. W. Kidder, health officer of Woodstock, tary engineer of the State board of health discussed this paper. An open discussion

and they are therefore not able to com- other States, and that the people of town clerks was held in the Hotel the theory that has sometimes been adply with his request for a statement of Vermont are not essentially different Windham with a paper on "The I'se vanced that the membership of the school details which he needs to make out the from a great many other people. Ver- of Blank Forms and the importance of record, and which, it is held, should mont has a spirit and a soul all her Vital Statistics," by L. S. Hayes of He did not say a word to her then have been filed with him before the bills own, and the men of Vermont have Bellows Falls, town clerk of Bockingtheir own peculiar virtues and ways ham. A moving picture show for chil- a practical demand for the continuance It transpires that in one case a detect of thought, as unique as Camel's dren which was not largely attended of the present normal schools. tive worked seven weeks on a case in Hump among the mountains of the by the youngs folks was held at five Lynch begged his sister to be calm, but which the respondent was willing to carth. Vermonters love their State o'clock. The lecture was given by Dr. H. A. Ladd of Burlington, inspector

hrew her arms around his neck and sary, but kept on working saving that for the increase of industry, for the a resume of the work of the State improvement of laws, for more effi- board of health with stereopticon clent administration of public enter- views and an address on "The Citizen prises, and for the advance of the and the Public Health," by Dr. Charles commonwealth in all that pertains to P. Wertenbaker, surgeon in the United

SOON TO BECOME LAW

London, May 31-4n 48 hours, perhap less, the home rule bill will pass the third most active boards of trade in the reading in the House of Commons, barring accidents, and in due course become a law, despite the opposition of the House vival, and the spirit of enterprise and before a parliament is set up in Dublin, dressing after he had been brought to a tidal wave. It requires no holdness protestant portion of the Province shall be excluded from the operation of the bill, The eyes of England are now turn

s aroused to its needs, as Vermont is have been made to assemble the proaroused to-day, and no people can be visional government and mobilize the called backward who are unitedly bent well-armed volunteers. Arms and The belief is held in some quarters

war which drained her blood and that all this threatened trouble might July L. sions to Uster. Many of the radicals

throughout Ulster to-day there were dustry, if we can develop our industries which would be provocative of dis-

Makes Record Jump.

New York, May 24.-Platt Adams of the New York Athletic club, an Olympic champion, cleared 23 feet one-fourth inch in the running broad jump in a pentathion competition at Celtic park to-day during the annual outdoor meet of the New York Postoffice Clerks' association. event ever made in a competition of this

The want ad way of tenant-finding to the excepted way-and means small ex-

P. J. PUTNAM OF WINDSOR ELECTED HEAD OF I. O. O. F.

Reports Show Loss in Membership and a Balance in the Treasury-63 Take "In one of the countles of Vermont are two hamlets, alike in situation and G. M. Degree.

> week's proceedings. The city was filled with hundreds of representatives of the hearing various lodges, grand officers, wives of members and members of the Rebekah WALTER JOHNSON lodges. The session opened in Odd Fellows hall

on Elm street with Grand Master E. L. Home \$4,919

deputy grand master, L. C. Holcomb, ices. Milton: grand warden, J. G. Roy, East L C Grant, Burlington; grand chaplain, offered. the Rev. J. B. Reardon, Barre; grand representatives, F. G. Nicho's, Richmond. and E. I. Ingalls of Hartford Sixty-three took the past grand mas

J. W. Robert, past grand master of Massachusetts, and W. F. Johnson, past grand patriarch of Massachusetts.

At the afternoon session these appoint nents were announced: Grand marshal, E. A. Spear, Woodstock; grand conduc tor, O. W. Edwards. Burilington; grand guardian, Alexander Duncan, Barre, grand herald, H. T. Brown, Ludlow, The next grand lodge meeting will be eld in Brattleboro

At 4:30 o'clock there was a reception to Rebekahs in the Pavilion Hotel parlors and to-night the Rebekan degrees were exemplified in the city hall.

VERMONT NOTES.

Castleton Normal School Has Large Registration for Next Year.

Present indications are that the Castle on Normal school will have one of the largest entering classes in its history next September. Already 35 girls have bered a few more than 50, but at the orresponding time last year not half as inspection of School Houses-When Springs, Shoreham, Proctor, Poultney, and Fair Mayen.

otal number registered in the entering lass, 24 are from outside Rutland county and all but one live so far away from posed.

This registration and the present mem s drawn largely from nearby towns, of Randolph, Dr. J. H. Blodgett of Belso would seem to indicate that there is boro. Mr. Gibson presided and on the

HELD ON TRANSPORTING CHARGE, party. en bound over in the sum of \$200 at White River Junction for appearance at the June term of Windsor county court on the charge of transporting liquor in o the State for unlawful purposes,

CONSTABLE UNDER BAIL

'hittenden has been arrested on a war-Dodge, charging unbecoming and illegal se of force in the arrest of Harvey Bump, who is a ward of Wooster, Brought before Justice of the Peace William O. Baird of the town, Woester gave bail of \$500 and was ordered to appear at a hearing Monday morning at nine o'clock. It is alleged that Wooster arrested Hump on a warrant and beat him littles; trogress in the country, workabout the head in serving it. Mr. Bump 62 years old and his wounds required the defeat of the democracy as the rehe house of correction at Rutland.

The incorporators of the Barre Hotel and virtle in his charge entration of men vice-president, George B. Milne: clerk. W M Holden; treasurer, E. W. Bisbee; board of directors. W. G. Reynolds, B. save the party without such names as W. Hauker, D. M. Miles, John Trow, H. Lincoln, Makinley and Roosevelt, as a or removing evils and promoting ammunition have been distributed and F. Cutler, with the president and vice- legard behind them, they were mistaken president George M. Bartlett, a New and would find that in the near future the new building will be under way by

SUCCUMBS TO INJURIES.

when caught in the shafting at N. Fellwounded five times and had six horses places, freshen up every farm and think, however, that the government aggi & company's stoneshed at North-lasted tie friend, pausing to clutch field on April 7, died at Heaton bospital Belfast, May 24.-In the churches in Montpeller May 19. It is said that Gomes was trying to adjust a belt at the the second trial, was devoted to the judge's charge and the deliberation of his death. exhortations from the pulpits in both time of the accident, his clothing catch- next-door neighbor sent me a box led, it was thought his chances for reand raise the general scale of living, there order on the passage of the Hume Rule covery were fairly good as he was a man of vigorous physique. Six children are made orphans by his death, his wife having died last fall

A presentation somewhat out of the ordinary was made to Mrs. George K. man, who died on February 28 from exposure to zero weather, following service at a fire. A gift of \$562.75 was made the mount being collected outside of Harre

filed a petition in bankruptcy, giving his

Habilities as \$232 and his assets as \$100, all of which is claimed exempt.

The Henry Putnam Memorial in at Bennigton is expected to be land owned by Mrs. H. B. Hawks, who has donated \$1,000 of the purchase price of the lot to the hospital, making the actual cost to the hospital \$1,500.

The suit for personal damages brought by James Griffin against the Boston & Maine ratiroad has been adjudged a mistrial in Windham county court. The case has been carried over to the September term of court. When the court consented to inspect the scene of the accident in which the plaintiff was injured, the West River Boston & Maine bridge it was with the proviso that no trains should be run over the bridge during the process of inspection by the jury, attorneys and judges. While the officials were there a dirt train was backed onto the bridge. The defendant company was adjudged in error, was ordered to pay a total of \$190 as term fees and expenses for the uncompleted hearing of the case, Montpeller, May 21.-The 68th annual and the order carries with it the lega, session of the grand lodge of Odd Fellows assurance that, in the event of the deof Vermont occupied the third day of the fendant company winning the ultimate dectsion no expense shall be charged to the plaintiff for the present incomplet

OPEN TO OFFERS

Washington, May 24 .- "I will pinea ingalls of Hartford presiding. Among for the team that offers me the most the reports submitted was that of the socre- money," said Walter Johnson, premier tary, which showed the membership to pitcher of the Washington Americans be in January last 17,539, a loss of 415. here to-night, after a conference with The treasurer's report showed disburse- Joe Titcker, manager of the Chicago ments to be \$1,00, the balance on hand Federals. 'I am not going to sign any \$6,995, and cost of maintenance of Gill contracts for 1915," he added, 'cntil my contract with the Nationals ex-The following officers were elected: pires Then the manager who offers Grand master, P. J. Putnam, Windsor; the best contract will get my serv

Johnson was asked if that meant Barnet' grand secretary, O. H. Hender- he would pitch in the Federal league, Johnsbury; grand treasurer, provided a contract to his liking were

"It means anywhere on earth," he replied Clark Griffith, manager of the Na.

tionals, said: "I am not worried. ter's degree. Among the guests were When the time comes Johnson will dr

PROGRESSIVES OF **VERMONT OPPOSE AMALGAMATION**

State Progressive party campaign opened in Brattleboro this afternoon with a entatives of the party from 13 of the 16 countles in the State, a total of 65 being in the auditorium Senator Moses E Clapp of Minnesota and Fraser Metzger year ago, addressed an audience of 400 of whom a considerable number were women. The conference sounded the keynote of the State campaign by adopting

"Be it resolved by the representatives f the Progress The above list shows how thoroughly opposed to any scheme of amalgamation he school is a State institution. Of the in the State of Vermont and that all progressives are warned against any

"Be it further resolved that this conference asks for the nomination of

MAKEUP OF COMMITTEE The committee on resolutions which offered the resolution was Fraser Metzger lows Falls and E. W. Gibson of Brattlewas Dr. H. Nelson Jackson of Burlington. chairman of the State committee of the

Among those present at the conference were O. H. and O. A. Rixford of East Highgate, Guy B. Horton of Burlington. harles H. Thompson, recently deposed and, A. E. Humphrey of Lyndonville, J. E. Ward of Barre, Raymond McFarland and G. W. Rose of Middlebury, W. E Nichols of Bennington, Ernest Kelly of Constable C. O. Wooster of North Salisbury, Dr. W. J. Aldrich of St. Johnsbury, J. C. Jones of Rutland.

THE COLONEL COMING.

The conference received assurances that Colonel Roosevelt would come to out and every member present was en thusiastic over the prospects as evidenced by the reports from the 13 countles of In general devoted to the history of p ing up to the certainty as he caw it of publicars had met defeat because of the inability of the great men of that party to save it from the development of combers of the "hyphenated parties," the progressive republicana and progressive democrats, and declared that if there were democrate who balteved they could

KEIGHBORLY NEIGHBORS

duath was rambling down the street one afternoon with a large smile floating "Why that beauteous smile, old man? Smith's hard. "Have you stacked up against great happiness?"

"Yes," merrily answered Smith, "m. "Happiness!" exclaimed the friend, won deringly. "To you call a saveastle stunt

'Ike that happinest' "Yea." was the gritiful response of mith "I sent the axle grease back to it on his daughter's voice."- Exchange

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